

Application No. 10/007,475
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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) An assembly configured for attaching to a vehicle, the vehicle including a steering structure including clamp members, the assembly comprising:

a curved unitary handlebar; and

a first and a second handlebar riser, each riser including:

a riser body having a having a side surface;

an upper handlebar connecting structure adapted and configured to selectively connect the curved unitary handlebar to the riser ~~member~~ and allow for selective rotation of the handlebar about a first axis for adjustment of the orientation of the handlebar in relation to the vehicle; and

a vehicle connecting structure, ~~the vehicle connecting structure of each of the risers~~ including a projection of unitary construction with or permanently attached to the riser body, the projection ~~projections~~ extending from the side surface of ~~each of the riser body bodies~~, the projection ~~projections~~ sized and shaped to selectively connect the riser ~~member~~ to the existing steering structure of the vehicle utilizing the clamp members of the steering structure, and allow for selective eccentric rotation of the riser ~~member~~ about a second axis to allow for height and position adjustment of the handlebar in relation to the vehicle.

25. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 24, wherein the projection comprises a cylindrical projection extending perpendicularly from the side surface of each handlebar riser.

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26. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 24, wherein the handlebar connecting structure of each handlebar riser comprises an upper surface of the handlebar riser including an indentation configured to accept the curved unitary handlebar and a separate upper clamp portion that is configured to be secured to the upper surface of the handlebar riser, thereby securing the curved unitary handlebar.

27. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 26, wherein the handlebar connecting structure of each handlebar riser is configured to permit placement of the curved unitary handlebar atop the indentation of each upper surface, with the separate upper clamp portion of each handlebar riser subsequently secured to the handlebar riser.

28. (Currently Amended) A riser assembly for attaching a unitary handlebar to a vehicle, the handlebar having a generally cylindrical cross section defining a diameter, the vehicle including a steering structure including clamp members, the riser assembly comprising:

a first handlebar riser and a second handlebar riser, each of the two risers ~~riser~~ including:

a riser body having a length that is greater than the diameter of the handlebar and having an upper portion and a lower portion and a side surface;

an upper handlebar connecting structure disposed at the upper portion of the riser body, the upper handlebar connecting structure including an upper surface of the riser body including an indentation configured to accept a portion of the unitary handlebar, and a separate upper clamp portion that is configured to be secured to the upper surface of the handlebar riser, thereby selectively securing the unitary handlebar to the riser body for selective rotation of the handlebar about a first axis for adjustment of the orientation of the handlebar in relation to the vehicle;

a vehicle connecting structure disposed at the lower portion of the riser body and spaced from the upper handlebar connecting structure by a distance greater than the diameter of the handlebar, the vehicle connecting structure ~~of each of the risers~~ including a cylindrical projection of unitary construction with or permanently attached

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to the riser body, the projection ~~projections~~ extending from the side surface of each of the riser bodies, the projection ~~projections~~ sized and shaped to selectively connect the riser ~~member~~ to the existing steering structure of the vehicle utilizing the clamp members of the steering structure, and allow for selective eccentric rotation of the riser ~~member~~ about a second axis to allow for height and position adjustment of the handlebar in relation to the vehicle.